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SPECIAL AGRICULTURE CROPS SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government proposes to extend specialagriculture crops scheme by including poultry and milk products in addition to flowers, fruits, vegetables and small forest produces in it as a part of measures to promote agro-export;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government also proposes to simplify exim procedures under special trade rules; and

(d) the suggestions/measures proposed to be taken for simplification of new packages for export oriented units and advance licensing scheme?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA):

(a) and (b) In the Annual Supplement to the Foreign Trade Policy released on 8th April 2005 and updated with effect from 1.4.2005, export of `dairy, poultry and their value added products` have also been included for benefits under the `Vishesh Krishi Upaj Yojana (Special Agriculture Produce Scheme).

(c) The simplification of procedures i s a n ongoing process. In the Annual Supplement to the Foreign Trade Policy released on 8.4.2005, one single common application form for claiming benefits under various schemes in the Foreign Trade Policy was announced in the form of `AAYAAT NIRYAAT FORM`. Apart from this, Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) initiatives are updated on a regular basis.

(d) There is no proposal at present under consideration of the Government for a new package under the export oriented unit and advance licensing schemes.